Wilson to Vote for His District Again Plans to Vote "Yes" on the Affordable Health Care for America Act

WASHINGTON, DC - Congressman Charlie Wilson (OH-6) released the following statement on his upcoming vote on H.R. 3962, the Affordable Health Care for America Act:

"As we wind down to the final hours of the healthcare debate, I have thought long and hard about what is in the best interest of my district. Emotions have run high on both sides of the issue for many months now and I have listened to a wide range of voices from across my district in order to best inform my decision.

"While the Affordable Health Care for America Act is not a perfect bill, there are benefits in it that are hard to ignore. In my district alone, this bill will help almost 13,000 small businesses provide good healthcare coverage for their employees. It will close the prescription drug donut hole for over 9,000 of our seniors. And it will help 174,000 households in the 6th District afford better coverage.

"I have always promised my constituents that I will vote in their best interest. There are times that I have disagreed with House leadership when I felt like what they were doing would unfairly punish my district, as was the case with the Cap and Trade bill earlier this year. I am never afraid to stand up for what is right. On this issue, what I believe is right is a health reform bill that will bring stability and security to the health care system, lower the cost of health care, and insure broader coverage. With those goals having been met, I am proud to announce my support for H.R. 3962, the Affordable Health Care for America Act."